

MINUTES OF 22nd BOARD MEETING OF BIJU PATNAIK NATIONAL STEEL INSTITUTE HELD ON

25th August 2023, 13.15 PM

The 22nd Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Biju Patnaik National Steel Institute (BPNSI) was held on 25.08.2023 at 13.15 PM under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Ruchika Choudhry Govil, Addl. Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Government of India. The list of Members of the Board who attended the meeting is placed at Annexure to this Minutes of Meeting. Shri Rajiv Kumar, Tata Steel was represented by Shri Gadadhar Hota as he had concurrent meeting at the time.

Shri Naveen Jindal, JSPL, Shri. Rakesh Pathak, CHRO, Jindal Stainless Ltd, Shri Manoj Kumar Agarwal, President, Odisha Sponge Iron Manufacturers' Association, Shri Ramakrushna Patra, Rourkela Steel could not attend the meeting. Leave of absence was granted by the Chair.

Shri Pritam S Purkayastha, Director of the Institute and Member Secretary of the Board initiated the discussion, which had only one special agenda item of discussing the recommendation of Academic Council to be discussed for the day.

1. *Recommendation of Academic Council for Activities for FY 2023-24:*

The Director informed the Board regarding the work done till now for starting of regular training activities on five focus areas for upskilling in academic year 2023-24 of the Board and requested Prof. Brahma Deo to give further details on the agenda item being the Chairman of the Academic Council of the Institute. Prof. Deo informed the Board regarding the necessity of the course on Advanced Maintenance Management and the steps taken for offering this course from 1st January 2024 in a blended format with Soft skills, safety and other relevant managerial aspects forming core of the course curriculum. He also informed that a 3-day pre-launch mini workshop in 1st week of October 2023 from 3rd October to 5th October 2023 will be held where condensed version of the course curriculum to be showcased as a precursor for feedback before the actual program is offered for registration. However, the Resource Management curriculum for the M.Engg. could not be elaborated where other areas of focus recommended by Academic Council were included, leading to a confusion and adverse comment by the Chairperson that the Institute has done work in only one focus area leaving the other four focus areas unattended which in reality is not the case. Shri Brahma Mishra, member of the Board offered to liaise with the technical Universities of Odisha for jointly conducting short term skilling programs by BPNSI.

The meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to the Chair.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS PRESENT

1. *Smt. Ruchika Choudhry Govil, Addl. Secretary, M/o Steel & Chairman, BPNSI*
2. *Shri Ashwini Kumar, Economic Advisor, M/o Steel (Special Invitee)*
3. *Shri. Devidatta Satapathy, Director, M/o Steel.*
4. *Shri. Rajiv Kumar, Vice President (Operations), TSK, Kalinga Nagar (represented by Shri Ganesh Samavedam)*
5. *Shri Sushim Banerjee. CEO, ISSSC, Kolkata*
6. *Shri Rakesh Pathak, CHRO, Jindal Stainless Ltd, Kalinga Nagar*
7. *Prof. Brahma Deo, MGM Chair Professor, IIT, Bhubaneswar*
8. *Shri Arun Kumar Rath. Head Brownfield Project, Odisha, AM/NS India*
9. *Shri Ranjan Bandyopadhyay, Executive Secretary, Joint Plant Committee*
10. *Shri Pradeepta Kumar Panda, Nominee M.P., Jajpur*
11. *Shri Rajiv Paul, Director, NISST (Special Invitee)*
12. *Shri Pritam S. Purkayastha, Director BPNSI & Member Secretary to the Board*